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PART 1. -- GENERAL

101. MEMORIAL DAY.--Memorial Day, Monday, 30 May 1977, is a legal holiday for all state and Federal employees.

102. DISPLAYING FLAG ON MEMORIAL DAY.

a. Reference DA Pam 360-501.

b. The above reference outlines proper procedure for displaying the flag on Memorial Day. At all National Guard facilities where the flag is flown, it will be displayed at half-staff until noon only; then raised to the top of the staff for the remainder of the day.

103. SUMMER UNIFORM.--The date for change to summer uniform in Montana is Monday 16 May 1977. (Ref: AR 670-6)

PART 2. -- PERSONNEL

201. PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE.

1. On 4 April 1977, the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of 10 USC 1331(c). The decision reaffirms the rule that individuals who were members of a reserve component before 16 August 1945, but who did not serve on active duty at any time during either WWII or the Korean War, are not entitled to non-regular retirement pay.

2. Request widest dissemination of the fact that Title 10 USC 1331(c) does not effect those who have served or will serve after 16 August 1945.

202. TECHNICIAN VACANCIES.--The following technician vacancies are announced in the Montana Army National Guard. Refer to Technician Vacancy Announcements posted on unit bulletin boards for details.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Acft Prop Mech .	Helena MT	WG-10
Admin Supply Tech	Sidney MT	GS-06

203. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MONTANA ARNG TECHNICIAN PROMOTIONS.--The following technician promotions are announced in the Montana Army National Guard for the month of April.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
YURICIC, ALBERT R. Hvy Mob Equip Mech	Helena MT	WG-08
CONNELL, WALTER J. Admin Tech	Helena MT	GS-07

PART 3. -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. M-16 RIFLE QUALIFICATION.--Cdr FORSCOM has put out a message to the field, DTG 071733Z Mar 77 entitled "M-16 Rifle Marksmanship for RC Units". The main points of this message are as follows:

1. RC Units with access to Record Fire I, II and night firing ranges are encouraged to use those facilities to meet qualification requirements.

2. Realizing that all the above ranges are not available to all RC Units, authority is granted for RC Units to use only Record Fire I or Record Fire II and omit the night firing requirements for qualification based on the following proficiency scale:

Expert	30 - 40
Sharpshooter	26 - 29
Marksman	21 - 25
Unqualified	20 and below

3. The use of either Record Fire I or Record Fire II are options to the standard course "C", alternate course "C", or modified known distance course "C", authorized for use by the RC in appendix D, FM 23-71, Rifle Marksmanship, Dec 1966.

302. SKILL QUALIFICATION TEST.--Initial reaction to the new Skill Qualification Test (SQT) now being administered to the active Army is favorable. Soldiers participating in the Army-wide trial run include those in MOS 11B, 16J, MOS 45B, and MOS 95D. SQT, which may include three major components, will be administered for record to ARNG soldiers in Career Management Field 11 beginning in April 1978. MOS involved include 11B, 11C, 11D and 11E.

Soldiers should expect neither a test that requires little study or preparation nor a "hands-on" test only. SQT includes a written test based on critical job tasks in the Soldier's Manual. If a soldier can perform the critical tasks listed in the Soldier's Manual, the SQT should not be difficult. Questions on the written portion are realistic and every effort has been made to provide simulation devices or tools that normally would be available to the soldiers in a real job situation.

Tasks that are more accurately measured on the job will be included in the hands-on portion. In addition, those tasks that are too time consuming, too large or expensive to test may be verified by the commander.

Each soldier will receive a personal copy of the Soldier's Manual, which will cover his MOS at the current skill level and at the next higher skill level.

303. ARMY OCS PROGRAM, FY 78.

1. For your information, the following schedule is announced for the Active Army OCS (BIOCC) (14 wks) to be conducted at Ft Benning, GA during 1978:

- a. CL 1-78, report date 30 Oct 77, close date 22 Feb 78.
- b. CL 2-78, report date 15 Jan 78, close date 25 Apr 78.
- c. CL 3-78, report date 30 Apr 78, close date 8 Aug 78.
- d. CL 4-78, report date 27 Aug 78, close date 7 Dec 78.

2. Request states desiring input to these courses submit NGB Form 64 Application for School Training to the Army National Guard Schools Branch, ARNG Operating Activity Center, Bldg E4430, Edgewood Area, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010 NLT 90 days prior to the start date of the course. Applications must be at the OTAG NLT 120 days prior to start date of course. Selection criteria and administration procedures are in NGR 351-5.

304. FT. EUSTIS, VA ASSUMES DUTIES OF ALL CORRESPONDENCE COURSE PROGRAMS.--The US Army Training Support Center at Ft. Eustis, VA is assuming the duties of all correspondence course programs. Presently, the Transportation School, Air Defense School, Missile and Munitions Center & School, Chaplain School, Engineer School, Armor School and Intelligence Center and School has transferred correspondence course responsibility to Ft. Eustis. The following schools and centers will follow in this transition as indicated by the dates below:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1 Jun 77	Aviation School
	Field Artillery School
	Institute of Military Assistance
1 Jul 77	Quartermaster School
1 Aug 77	Signal School
	Ordnance Center & School
1 Sep 77	Institute of Administration
	Military Police School
15 Sep 77	Infantry School

Correspondence Course Enrollment Applications for schools now under the control of US Army Training Support Center will be forwarded to Ft. Eustis, VA. The remaining schools shown with dates of transition will receive correspondence courses until the above date. Upon transition to Ft. Eustis and thereafter, all correspondence will be addressed to:

Army Correspondence Course Program (ACCP)
US Army Training Support Center
Newport News, VA 23628

305. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS FIRE FIGHTERS.--The Montana Division of Forestry is looking for unemployed persons who would volunteer to be trained as fire fighter. This training would be non-reimbursable but would insure the individual a job as a fire fighter this season.

Commanders should establish a roster of individuals who desire this training and forward to the MSCA Section, SHHD. This roster should not be confused with the list of volunteers previously submitted to operate ARNG equipment during the fire season.

PART 4. -- SUPPLY

401. CHANGE 4, AR 710-2.

a. Change 4, AR 710-2 dated 1 April 1977 is currently being distributed with an effective date of 1 May 1977.

b. Change 4, AR 710-2 will not be implemented within ARNG until further guidance is provided in the form of a revised National Guard Regulation.

c. Change 3, AR 710-2 dated 8 August 1975 and NGR 710-2 dated 30 December 1975 will continue to be used until the revised NGR is published.

PART 5. -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

PART 6. -- MAINTENANCE

601. M44A2 SERIES 2½ TON TRUCK OVERHAULED AT TAIWAN AUTOMOTIVE REBUILD FACILITY.

1. Subject trucks overhauled at Taiwan Automotive Rebuild Facility are potential candidates for premature brake failure.

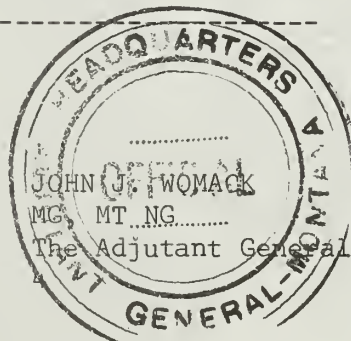
2. USTARCOM has received many reports that hydraulic lines are splitting open when brakes are applied. The problem cannot be identified by visual inspection. Therefore, operations of all M44A2 series 2½ ton trucks that may have been overhauled at the Taiwan Automotive Rebuild Center must be curtailed until the brake lines have been replaced.

3. The M44A2 series 2½ ton vehicles includes over 140 configurations of the 2½ ton vehicle, i.e., truck, cargo, 2½ ton, M35A2. Identification of these vehicles can be accomplished by the overhaul tag affixed on the dash which reads: Taiwan Automotive Base Depot or Taiwan Materiel Agency.

4. To be on the safe side, it is requested that units/activities check for the above listed overhaul tag on all 2½ ton trucks and take appropriate action to remove affected vehicles from operation until brake lines have been replaced.

PART 7. -- SAFETY

PART 8. -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY



PART 9. -- UNOFFICIAL

901. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.--The following officers received Federal recognition.

BLAIR, DAVID F. CW3 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	12 Jan 77
DAELLENBACH, CLYDE L. 1LT Co D 1/163d AC	23 Feb 77
INABNIT, KENNETH R. CW3 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	31 Mar 77
MATHEWS, EDWARD E. CPT How Btry(-) 2/163d AC	6 Jan 77
MILLS, DONNELL D. CW3 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	6 Jan 77
MUNRO, RICHARD J. CW4 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	14 Jan 77
ONTKO, SAMUEL J. CPT HHT(-) 1/163d AC	6 Jan 77
SIGFRINIUS, KENNETH E. CW4 HHT(-) 1/163d AC	7 Jan 77
STRICKER, ALLAN V. CPT HHT(-) 1/163d AC	6 Jan 77